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# GCI donates computers to St. Paul's Food Center

Spots

Sun

s scheduled Dec. 19 at 6 p.m.

Initialize
The Governor's Mentoring Initiative/Glades Challeage will be held at the Ameritech Institute located on 165 U.S. Highway 27 South in South Bay. The Initiative and Challeage will begin at 10 am on Dec. 13. Refreshments will be served.

Redlands Christian (ligrent Association (RCMA) belie Glade Child Development Center is having. Reading is Fundamental RIFI distribution of Friday. bec. 15 at 3:30 pm. WXEL tublic Television Station will be here with Clifford the Big led Dog who will take pictures with the children. If here are questions, please do

SAC meeting
To all parents and community members Glade View
Elementary will hold its combined monthly SAC and PTA
meeting on Monday, Dec. 18
at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.
Refreshments will be served.
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please contact Mrs. Dowers
or Mrs. McPhee at 993-4035.

Holiday SAC meeting.
Pahokee Middle-Senior High School will be hosting a holiday School Advisory Council meeting on Dec. 18 at p.m. in the school's multi-purpose room. Parents and concerned citizens are invited to attend.

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Lake Level 11.42 feet



Who to contact

PEAK OUT ...561- 996-6636

SANTA COMES TO TOWN

Fire destroys South Shore man's bedroom

Also, always turn your Christmas tree lights out if you plan to be away for any time and before going to bed at



### Everglades plan approved, \$1.4 billion in projects now authorized

The Water Resources prevelopment Act of 2000, signed by President Clinton on Dec. 11, includes a sproval for the Comprehensive Everglades and reduce Lake Okeechober 13.4 billion for the Intilial Everglades are storation projects, including authorization to construct 10 identified restoration projects which will be the framework for future restoration efforts. These specific projects are so important because they too of the Everglades are so important because they too of the Everglades and the Comprehensive Everglades and the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Present State 10 identified restoration from the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and and the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Indian and the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and should start September 2008.

Some The Jacksonville District is excited and ready to increase our current efforts to restore the Everglades and the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Loxahiatchee National Welding Reduced in Projects and Constant of the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Solve the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Solve the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Loxahiatchee National Welding Reducing The Hillsborn Cland and the Hillsborn Cland during dry periods and the Preby Feducina and Hillsborn Cland during dry periods, the Preby Feducina and Loxahiatchee National Welling Reducing The Hillsborn Cland and the Preby Feducina and the Preby Feducina and Feducina

ampage than what they are designed to give you, he added. This is also a good time to check home smoke detectors, says Hamilton. Make sure they make sure they contained the same than the same that t

# Norts Shaw of South Shore Village kept from losing his home Monday afternoon by dousing a bedroom fire with a water hose until firefighters arrived. Mr. Shaw, a Jamaican who is retired from U.S. Sugar, lives in the old housing complex in south housing complex in when he fire a bay with a water hose. There was a lot of smoke coming out of a bedroom, said Lit Hamilton. The old housing complex in the may have started because a mattress was leaning up against a plug-in at an outlet. "If the wires are frayed, this allows the heat to build, up.". said Lt. Hamilton. "It could have been smoldering for a while." The American Red Cross, stationed in South Bay, has stepped in lo help Mr. Shaw. The holidays are a prime time for home fires, with Christonss tree fires accounting for meany of the accidents. Lt. Hamilton gives the following safety tips: Retinember the keep your tree was the safety of the accidents. Retinember the safety of Pahokee to consider alternative water supply

By Tracy Whirls

The Pahokee Commission will consider whether implementation of a DEF-proposed alternative water supply is feasible to address the treatment of the proposed alternative water supply is feasible to address the treatment of the proposed alternative water supply at their next meeting. Jan. 8.

The commissioners instructed City Manager Ken Schenck to prepare a feasibility study particular to the proposed alternative water supply at their next meeting. The supply of the proposed alternative continuation of Active Citizens Together in the citizens of the proposed and the city manager. We supply the proposed and the city has decided it and the city has decided it commission? The supply of the proposed and the city has decided it commission? The supply of the proposed and the city has decided it commission? The supply of the proposed and the city has decided it commission? The supply of the proposed and the city has decided it commission. The supply of the proposed and the city has decided the commission of the proposed and the city has decided the commission of the proposed and the city has decided the commission of the proposed and the city has decided the city has decided the commission of the proposed and the city has decided the city ha

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Schenck said the EPA
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systed carbon water filtraretem, but the city would
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glot is the only place we nsure security 24 hours Mr. Schenck said. He that the city would have

conducted Nov. 7, the level of tribalomethanes is down, to 185 parts per billion at the source and has dropped at the extreme ends of the system, down to 286 ppb, from the 400 ppb that tested some months ago.

require monitoring by municipalities serving less than 10,000 people. However, she aid, in 1997, the Department of Health issued a directive to to a system like that. Mr.

ounty, as a result of filling the finant Canal. This four-year project will cost 977 million and hould start. January 2005.

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enhance the connectivity and sheet flow in the Model Lands and Southern Olades area, and reduce damaging wet season flows in C-111 to Card Sound and Florida Bay. This phree-year project will cost 894 million and should start July 2005.

The \$1.4 billion authorization also includes \$100 million for adaptive assessment and monitorial control of the programment of the progra

toring.

WRDA 2000 also includes 869 million for pilot projects. These projects will address uncertainties associated with some of the such as a quifer storage and recovery, seepage management, and wastewater reuse. Pilot projects determine the feasibility as well as optimum design, of the features prior to embarking on full-scale development.

Schenick said, adding that he is working with the health department on a draft consent order that will determine a schedule to bring the city into compliance with the new regulations. Mr. Schenick said he would present the final consent order to the commission for their approval after it was completed.

Pahoker resident Rev.

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Pahokee resident Rev.
Eugen Babb expressed amazement that the commissioners were not aware, prior to the meeting, that the EPA and health department had issued a draft consent order against the city. He also noted that the health department would not have established the 100 ppb standard for trihalomethanes arbitrarily, if they did not pose a health risk.
When we met with the EPA and she health department officials, spt. quie of them would undedulvocally state that they would drink the water. Rev. Babb said. "It's a problem."

Another \$206 million is included for restoration projects up to 825 million and would produce independent, immediate, and substantial preservation, and protection benefits. The preservation, and protection benefits of the preservation, and protection benefits. Corps recognizes the importance of involving the local business communities in the contracts and subcontracts that will be awarded for projects related to the Everglades restoration. The Corps will ensure utilization of small business concerns through Federal policies and regulations that promote maximum participation of small business, small disadvanced in the property of the project of small business. Administration Section 8(a) firms, Small Business Administration Section 8(a) firms, Small Business Concerns

the organization.

are strongly encouraged to contact SBA Miami or SBA
Jacksonville for SBB, HUBZone
and 8(a) certification information. Solicitation and contract
ward information will be available at the Jacksonville District's
web site by selecting
Contracta/Business
Opportunities.

The full Everglades
Restoration Plan will take more
than 30 years to complete and
will cost an estimated total of
5'ft continuing 80 protested on the
output in future Water Resource
Development Acts.

More detailed information
about the Comprehensive
Everglades Restoration Plan can
be found on the Internet at
www.evergladesplan.org.

### Glades Central Thesplans present **Pulitzer Prize winning play**

The Glades Central Thespian Troupe is presenting August Wilson's play. Fences' wednesday. Thursday and Saturday this week (December 13, 14 and 16) in the Glades Central Theatre at 7:31 p.m. Wilson's play won the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, the New York Drama Critic's Circle Award and a Tony Award in 1987.

The play is concerning a family of the 1987's in crists. Troy Maxon, the father, portrayed by Terrance West, wants to protect his son, Cory played by Mike Rainey, from the prejudice he experienced while he weet formed by Johnshia Gayler tries to pull the family digential and keep them feated in from all harm. Others to the cast include: Leonard West playing Bono the best friend to Troy:

portrays Gabriel, the war injured brother of Troy; and Tameka Hanna and Lorena Lopez playing the part of Raynell, the daughter of Troy by his mistress. The crew is made up of Stage Manager. David Martinez: Stage Crew. Jontavious Simmons: Sound. Igdoll Fonrose: Lights. Dhiny Mercedes and House Manager. Jayson Mays.

The play is being adjudicated by the State Thespian Board judges to determine whether it will be selected as a mainstage performance at the State Thespian Feptival in April which is held in Tampa.

\*\*STEICHESTAMP by parchased at the door for only 85. For further information call Sarah Bennett at Glades Central, 993-4403 or 993-1979.

### alms West MRI to open new facility in Belle Glade

lims West MRI has begun vation of the previous glades Credit Union building I Main St. in Belle Glade for Glade's first fixed site MRI

dily.

Films West MRI has been perming open MRI in western in Beach County for over 10 km s and has scanned many tients from Belle. Glade, hokee. Glewiston and exceptione and the other committies around Lake at miss West Hospittal and in Royal im Beach.

Radiology, which is the radiology group at Palms West Hospital. The group consists of seven board certified radiologists and has extensive experience in supervising and interpreting MRI scans, particularly open, MRI. Palms West MRI was the first facility to offer open MRI in Palm Beach County and one of the first in the State of Florida.

The MRI equipment at the Belle Glade office will be the equipment that has previously been operated very successfully at Palms West Hospital. This is an open MRI system which has the ability to can claustrophobic and large patients up to 400 pounds

has been very successful while the system was operating at Palma West Hospital and Palma West MRI looks forward to similar success in Belle Glade.

Permainent magniet open MRI systems are considerably less expensive to operate compared to the closed superconducting systems, which is an important factor in helping. Palma West MRI maintain reasonable, cost structure. This will allow us to perform scans in Belle Glade at a very reasonable to the system of the sys





# un Spots

end the monthly School vivory Council Meeting The cetting will. be held in the feteria on Wednesday, Dec. 20 6 p.m. Dinner will be served d the Chorus and Handbell of will perform. Parents and munuity members are encoured to join us in our celebration war new school at 924 4466.

our Lord. Along with a hearty breakfast after the services are

What a fellowspip run Divinell Come to the United Missionary Baptist Church, Bryant Village. Service begins at 9:30 p.m. "Until the Break of Day" where Rev James W White serves as Pastor. Refreahments will be served con-tinually throughout the night. A off breakfast will be served at 6



Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Clinic, Inc. needs volunteers to serve on its Board of Directors. The Clinic is a private, not-for-profit, charitable, tax exempt organ-tation. We have provided a wide-array of mental health and substance abuse servic-es to the residents of the Glades area since 1980.

We are seeking Board volunteers who have specific areas of skills, talents and experience, such as accountant, attorney, physician, marketing/public relations and fund raising, Volunteers should have an interest in meeting the mental health and substance abuse service needs of the Glades. A portion of the Board membership may reside outside the Glades area.

The Board meets month: ... on the third Tuesday of the month in the Administrative office at 1024 NW Avenue D. Belle Glade. Assignment to a working committee is also an expectation. For more information, call: Joe Amato, Executive Director, 962-1330.

Speak out is our free 24-hour opinion line. Call 996-6636 to press your opinion or ask a question about public issues. You e not required to give your name. While we want you to speak cely, the newspaper reserves the right to edit calls for clarity, revity, relevance and fairness.

The world would end in 2000

The Bible said the world would come to an end in 2000. Having Cheney in the White House is like having a dead man walking. We could go get some one out the invaring home and have them perform better than that.

Bush is saking anyone to get lost is like when they hung a contract with the contract of the c

Within city charter law?

This is in reference to the city manager of Belle Glade. It looks like that 885,000 still broke the city charter. Can you find out if that broke the city charter and if it did, ask the city commissioner how they can break the city charter?

Editor's note: This portion of Tony Smith's contract is legal and does not volate the city's charter. The charter does not state how much a city manager can be paid.

Cost and efficiency of water in Belle Glade

The prices of our water has gone sky-high. Those of us in
the northeast section of Belle Glade are not happy. Every
evening, we have no water to flush our toilets. We don't have
any water pressure to wash our clothes. We don't have
any water pressure to lill up our sinks to wash our dishes.
Here we are paying this outrageous price for water and it
was told through a little birdle we need more pipes. New pipes
over where the water plant is. I think It's a shame they
charging Belle Glade residents what they're charging them."

charging Belle Glade residents what they're charging them."

It's taxpayer's money

Tiurrah for Don Garrett and Steve Wilson. They seem to be
the only commissioners concerned with the Ety's money.
I could not believe that we, the taxpayers of Belle Glade, are
giving a Christmas party to the 'snowbirds'. How ridiculous,
What were the other commissioners Hominking? How mich

Editor's note: Commissioners word to spand 8550 for the
party to honor the residents who reside at the Belle Glade
Marina during the winter months. This has been a tradition
or many years since the 'snowbirds' bring a lot of revenue to
the city and this is their way of saying thank you' for choosing
the Belle Glade campgound facility over the many others they
could have chosen around the lake.

No more firecrackers

This is regarding the firecrackers. They started again in mid-November. The city doesn't want to do anything about this, so we are going to take care of this ourselves.

We are not going to go through this again. We plan to use fire extinguishers, water blasters, anything we can get and we will take care of the firecrackers ourselves.

Like I said, we won't go through this again."

There's a solution

Thread in the Blg Lake Sunday News and in the Speak
Out section they are talking about home schooling.

I think the solution for the problems we have with our children in the public schools is not teaching, but the teachers in the public schools need to be given the power-they used to have a long time ago. The parents also worked with the teachers rest, the principals.

Another solution is that neighborhoods should have their own schools so they wouldn't have to keep dragging them other places.

Other piaces.

Lyons Park

The calling about Lyons Park in Belle Glade, in the sand there where the little kids play, you can find all kinds of stuff in the sand. It is so dirty,

Also, at night you can find older kids hanging around there and there are no lights. I would like to see that park with lights at night and for the police to keep an eye on it because it needs to be safer.

There are a lot of families who take their children there to play and I would like to see the police around the parks at night and I would like to see the rich of Belle Glade clean his park. Because it's a shame to see this park so dirty.

Because it's a shame to see this park so dirty."

Thanks for a job well done

"Moving to South Bay from Sawannah, Ga. was a new adventure. Coming from a big city and residing in a small rural town was a dramatic change for me. Least to say I have accommodated myself here in the City of South Bay.

Upon completing high school from Glades Central High School in 1999, my interest in becoming a law enforcement officer will be a dream come true.

Recently, I've dedicated myself to learning all I can as a spoileg affiner by attending the South Bay Cittsen Academy. This class allows you to relate and understand the basics in Naw Indicatent, With handson experience, we have had the opportunity to know what it's like being a police officer. We've had the chance to four the county jail, completed a checklist of the fire engine and learned how to determine the speed of a whick by using hand held radar. Also, to come, we will be allowed to ride along with an officer in the city, and fire a live of the complete of the c

Count all the votes

Marching from Memphis to Tennessee
With the world waiting to see
Willes of us march, oh what sweet harmony
As we form in groups of colonies

We march for the right to vote, that's our motto. This is not for a profile or a photo At stake is our constitutional right For which we shall always fight

Rosa Parks sat in the back of a bus When asked to give her seat up, made no fuss in whispering voice she said, 'Beat me till I did This day my seat I will not be denied'

People fought and died for the right to vote Not to count them is a big joke Count them all like the people demand Who cares whether the chads drop or stand

### Letters to the Editor

Honest people still edst
On Thanksgiving morning I ost my waller at Belle Glade Burger King, went back to look for it and it was gone. I reported it stolen, never expecting to see it again. I stopped all credit cards.

Lind close to \$300 in cash, etc. I had close to \$300 in cash.

efc. I had close to 8300 in cash, etc. he next Friday night T received a call from Father John in Pahokee to tell me he had my were finact.

The next day I went to Father-John where I found out about the Jamily which had the wallet; Jawe a reward to this family and the Catholic Church. This family has 10 callion, but for the church training it did no his properties of the church training it did not happen. Father John said he was going to use this as an example to his youth he teaches, Thanks to the Evodio Sancho family for their honessy.

Billy Eva

Magnet Applications

The recruitment season is in full swing for magnet schools and choice option programs. If you have a child entering kindergarten in the fall of 2001 and you child attend Gove Elementary Schools are a menet student of the control of the cont

one interested in learning more about our program.

Students of the Month Congranitions to the following students for being selected as "Students for being selected as "Students for the month of November: Grant of the Month of t Solano, and Danielle Almazan, and Danielle Edgecomb; Fifth grade: Jacqueline Lopez, Lauro Perez, Jacqueline Lopez, Lauro Perez, Jacqueline Lopez, Sixth grade: and Judy Chancey; Sixth grade:

Make Pehokse beacquarters for restoration

I am writing this letter with excitement and hope in my heart, energy in my fingers and an overwhelming, prayerful attitude of PLASE. We need word to a friend or colleague or a full-blown article in your paper. Please help us.

Our town has seen much better days than we are now forced to witness and live through. We have struggled and cried, planned and lost, fought and countred, prayed and preyed upon each other. We love Pahokee, and Pahokee has been good to many of us, yet we are a good to many of us, yet we are good to many of us, yet we are a town lost in the chaspic world of what do we do now?

We all know that Lake Okcechobee and the Evergades need attention. We all know that



Top volunteers
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the following volunteers for
the month of November. Junies
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Do the Right Thing
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nominated by their teachers for
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Right Thing is a wonderli
program sponsored by the
Sheriff a Department to promote
positive school behavior.

Congratulations Reading Wild Cats
Congratulations to the Reading Wild Cats Club, sponsored by Ms. Barbara Garcia, second grade teacher, for win-

### SFWMD declares watershortage emergency

Declaring a water-supply crisis that could continue for at
least the next six months, South
Florida' Water Management
District Executive Director
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Frank R. Florid, P.E. signed an
expension water use in Monroe, ManniDade, Broward and Palm Reach
counties. The order took effect
Friday, Dec. 8.
The Phase I restrictions allow
lawn watering and car washing
only on Mondays, Wednesdays
and Saturdays from 48 am. for
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and Saturdays from 48 am. for
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expects these and other conservation measures to produce a 15
percent reduction in water use.
Commercial establishments,
such as car washes that recycle
water are not subject to these
restrictions.

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water are not subject to these restrictions.

Rain is what we need over Lake Okeechobee. Director Pinch said. The lake is 3.5 feet been normal for this time of the control of the control

area may contact the SFWMD water shortage holdine, the Turn Line, at 1-800-682-6876. District staff will take calls during normal business hours. The public can also access extensive information through the District's Internate site at www.sfwnid.gov.

the Editor

It will be a huge task. We all know that many agencies and people will spend many hours and days debating, experimenting, planning, praying and spending billions.

We here in Pabokee know that our community can be the central location for the largest contral location for the largest contral location project the world city to rest directly on the shores of Lake Okechobee. We are the "Other Coast" of Paim Beach Cointly, We have direct access to the lake, a great marins and campround, plenty of people to fill the Tabor gap/pool for the project, and a perfect building to house the headquarter's of the operation, our once-vital but closed Everglades Regional Medical Center, We could recycle this building as offices, laborator beverglades Regional Restoration

the center of operations for a huge project.

Please, please help us lobby the county and state for consideration as the best location for Removation Operations. After all, the name Pahokee means 'grassy waters' in Seminole, not muddy waters.

waters.

Thank you for what you m
do to help us.

Larry Wright



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In the Sam's Club 'Get Caught Reading' manaphot content. The Club 'cecled a Fuffilm 2005 and Date 7005 mm camera. The purpose of the contest was to promote literacy. We are proud of the Wild Cats Club for their continued efforts in promoting reading.

The Saied Cafe

A special thanks to the parents and the school staff cattending the 'Salad Cafe' sponsored by the students in Mrs. Advanced to the world of the Wild Cats Club for their continued efforts in promoting reading.

The Saied Cafe

A special thanks to the parents and the school staff of the following countries india, Sweden, Africa, Israel. Holland, Italy, and Mexico. We enjoyed a delicious salad bar wish them a Bon Voyage!

### Upcoming events 12/15 - RIF Book

distribution 12/19 - Magnet Orientation for th and 6th grades at 1 p.m. 12/21 - SAC at 6:30 p.m. 12/25-1/9 - Winter holidays

### The Sun

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### A look at winter storms and their unusual names

ows are often the result.

The "Texas Panhandler," somenes called the "Oklahoma
oker," is a storm notorious for
oducing blizzards in the Plains.

Beginning at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12 and continuing through Fiday, Dec. 15. the FAU Wellness Centers in Delray Wellness Centers in Delray Beach and Riviera Beach will be administering the flu shot at different times throughout the day by appointment only. Those wishing to obtain an appointment can call the special Health Department phone number at (661) 547-6846 beginning Thursday, Dec. 7 after 9 a.m. When calling, priority will be given to those 65 and older and those who have chronic illnesses at the place them at risk from the flu. The cost for receiving the vaccine will be \$12 and directions can be obtained at the time the uppointment is made. Quantum Foundation President and CEO Jeanette Corbett said, "We are thrilled when our grantes reach out in collaboration with public health to better serve the residents of Palm Beach County." Corbett to better serve the residents of Palm Beach County. "Corbett deed, "The FAU Community Based Wellness Centers do a receilent job identifying" and reacting to the health needs of the community. Administering flu shots at a critical time is just one example of the fine job they are doing.

Norther' is famous for its sey temperatures and gusty winds.
One of the most famous 'Bitue' of February 11-13, 1899-a storm that sent the entire state of Texas into the deep freeze. The mercury tropped to 12 degrees in the fruit orchards of Corpus Christi and several inches of sonow fell as far south as the Rio Grande.

It was a dreadful storm but at least Texans knew it was a 'Bhue Norther.' 'Bet, the next time a bitter cold wave arrives in Florida it won't have a southeln eichname. We won't know what to call it.

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### Health Department and its employees win Davis Productivity Award

The TB Intervention Project through the C.L. Brumback Health Center in Belle Glade and five individual employees of the Palm Beach County Health Department were hon-

Health Department were honored with the Davis Productivity Award during a luncheon in Miami on Dec. 8.
Judy Cooper, Penny Masur-Levy, Barbara O'Malley, Denise Pagan, and Selva S. Selvendran were all honored for their furnitude of the desired for the Department, created a program called "Five a Day, Let's Eat and Play" curriculum. This pro-

ceplate The a Day, Lefe Eat and Play curriculum. This program utilizes' songs, stories, 
puppets, games and foot tasting experiences that emphasize 
the importance of healthy eating among preschoolers. 
Recognition of fruits and vegetables as an excellent food 
source increased by 50 percent 
after students took part in the 
program. In addition, parents 
of patticipant children said 90 
percent were eating more faults 
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To date, 3500 preschool sites in the State of Florida have received copies of the pro-gram and the US Department of Agriculture has accepted it for national distribution.

Ms. O'Malley, Senior Community Health Nursing Supervisor, was recognized for the present of the immunications program for children of all ages. Ms. O'Malley participates at every level of the program. She begins by teaching medical providers and staff from throughout the community about the vescines.

speaking persons receive needed services.

Mr. Selvendran, an
Environmental Engineer for the
Department, is significantly
improved the educational
opportunities to all staff members by establishing a downlink site with multiple room
capabilities so more people.

could take advantage of information being offered nationally. Mr.
Selvendran, a former teacher,
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Selvendran, a former teacher,
acquainted himself, with the
technical juffrastructure and
with the many individuals necessary to create a solid educational program, including college professors, deans,
coordinators and studio personnel. After securing funds
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how to assess the patients and the actual administration of immunizations to children. Ms. O'Malley was helped from community partners through the Immunization Coalition which provides volunteers and coordinates the immunizations of the programs throughout Palm Beach County. Ms. Feath through the University O'Malley has proven herself time and again to be an afficient, productive and conscientious employee of the State Heigh System.

Ms. Pagan, a Human Services Program Specialist, has excelled in database management and analysts which has greatly improved the tecording of communicable disease and outbreak information. Ms. Pagans efforts have resulted in the timely ability to track community health problems and identify areas needing attention. Being bilingual, Ms. Pagan has translated much information from English speaking persons receive medically evaluated and placed in therapellus and assuring that non-English speaking persons receive medically evaluated and placed in the medically evaluated and placed Agency, he set up the mas according townlinks for Air Pollution training.

Mr. Selvendran has since expanded these programs to include a distance learning program for Engineering and Graduate Programs in Public Health through the University of South Florida, which made the Palm Beach County Health Department the first agency receive live broadcast courses.

The final program receiving a Davis Productivity Award was the Belle Glade TB Intervention Project. This project, through the C.L. Brumback Health Center in Belle Glade, was set up to respond to the tuberculosis outbreak that had been traced to individuals frequenting a crack house in Belle Glade. Initially, 15 persons were identified as being exposed and the team located 11 of these persons and immediately had, them medically Glade. Initially, 15 persons were identified as being exposed and the team located 11 of these persons and immediately had, them medically evaluated and placed in therapy. Given the knowledge that crack cocaine users are typically non-compliant with treatment-regimens, a 825 per week incentive was offered to those successfully completing preventive therapy. The 11 were transported twice a week for eight weeks to the clinic to 'receive their medication and therapy. With a documented average of four contacts per active case of fuberculosis, identifying and curing these 11 prevented an additional 44 from contracting the disease and averted what could have led to even geater numbers of individuals contracting TB. Efforts such as these have resulted in the number of reported TB cases in Falm Beach County being reduced by 50 percent from 115 in 1997 to 56 so far this year.

### **SMILE with Dr. Inge Ford**

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The streets of Pahokee were lined with many enthuslastic observers Dec. 4 for the annual "Christmas on Parade" event. Winners of the 15th Annual "Christmas on Parade; Grand Marshal Award, O'Say Child Care Development Center; Best Non-Compressed Placet, Casal Care Development Center; Best Non-Commercial Float, Canal Point Baptist Church; Second Place, Best Non-Commercial, Carcer Academy at West Tech; Third Place, Best Non-Commercial, Canal Point Methodist; Honorable Mention, Best Non-Commercial, City of Paĥokee, Santa and his reinderers; Best Band, Paĥokee Middle/Senior High School Q.D.

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and Victor Rodriguez. Slo
Chevy Low Rider.
Judges for the year 2000
parade were Grand Marshal
and Cittzen of the Year Dr. R.L.
Hatton: Kerry Knott,
Administrator of Sago Palm
Academy and Shelia Henry,
principal of the West School of
CHOICE. The parade was preceded by the Julian Branch
Festival of Lights' dedication
and ceremony. Many thanks to
the volunters who helped light
up Pahokee and to Dennis
Milliron who spear-headed the
volunter efforts. Thanks also
to the City of Pahokee crew for

building Santa's Sleigh;
Pahokee Police Department
bike and motorcycle patrol;
PBSO Explorers and bike
patrol: Pahokee Fire
Department; Diane Walker,
chair of the parade; the residents of Sago Palm Academy
and to all who participated in
some way. The parade was well
attended and the streets were
lined with many enthusiastic
observers. The City of Pahoke
and the Chamber extends its
best wishes for a Happy
Holiday, and a very Merry
Christmas!

### Harvest AME members believe angels are watching over us

Members of Harvest AME, located at 825 Larrimore Road, Pahokee, where the Rev. Patricla S. Wallace is the founder and pastor are convinced angels are watching over the church family there. While everyone else continued to focus on what was wrong with the election process and how to fix it, Rev. Wallace and the church family focused on how to plant seeds in the community that had other problems, that concerned them as much as a recount. As they focused on the many members and community families who were affected and will feel the impact of the U.S. Sugar layoff

that occurred before the holi-days, they certainly needed, angels to watch over them.
Who would have thought that someone 'reading about the story would become an 'angel' from across the miles? Harvest received a call from someone in the city of Vacaville. Ca. who is now known-as their 'angel' in California. The angel who planted the seed in our commu-nity is Angel B. Iten who donat-ed \$500 to the Harvest family to help ten familles in need. The Harvest Outreach Mission matched the contribution with \$500 to give 10 families \$100 each to help their, families

through the holidays. Thank you Angel Iten of California.

### Harvest December Calendar

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Dec. 15. Presiding Elder C.E.
Jenkins, who has been newly
assigned to the Fantastic FY,
Plerce district will hold his first
quarterly conference at 6 p.m.
Dec. 16, The Sons of Allen,
will hold a men's fellowship
service with men from various
churches from the entire
Glades area. Bro. Charles
Anderson, who leads this ministry says, "I am excited about
what God is now doing with the
men and Christian outreach."

The community is invited at 7

The community is invited at 7 p.m. 24. Men's Fellowship is at 11 a.m. and the youth Christmas play and celebration will begin at 3 p.m. Dec. 30, The Irst Scholarship Banquet, sponsored by the graduating seniors of Harvest Class of 2001 will be held at the Pahokee Recreational Complex Cafeteria. Donation of \$10, formal attire.

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### Commissioner & Mrs. Masilotti to be honored at annual Palms West Heart Ball

The Co-Chairs of the tenth annual Palms West Heart Ball, otherwise known as the Tribal Council, are proud to announce the very special honorees for this year's event are Palm Beach County Commissioner Tony Masilotti and his wife Sus.

"We have selected the Commissioner and his wife for their commitment to the American Heart Association and to the Western Communities," add fren Poster, Co-Chair of Survivor Island. As Co-Chairs of Survivor Island.

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Palm Beach County
Commissioner Tony Masilotti
and his wife, Sue, will be honored for their commitment to
the American Heart
Association during the tenth
annual Palms West Heart Ball
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Council" for the ball, the theme of which is "Survivor Island." Back row, Bobby Ewing, Ben Boynton, Ken Foster and Anita Fost Front row Joanna Boynton and BJ Ewing



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### Glades Central Thespians score gold

The Glades Central Thespians attended the District Ten Thespian One-Act Individual Events Festival ember 7-9. Football is not the only activity that brings the gold home for the Raiders. Beckett's "Waiting for Godot" earned two Superior ratings for the Troupe. Also Terrance West received the Best Actor West received the Best Actor award for the entire festival of fifteen plays. Terrance por-trayed the subservient charac-ter of Lucky. Scarlett Flores received the All Star Cast award for the Troupe's play. Scarlett was the lead charac-ter of Vladimir. Others in the award winning cast and crew

were Lorena Lopez, portray-ing Estragon: Leonard West appeared as Pozzo; and Jayson Mays performed the role of The Boy. Crew for the production consisted of Johnnika Gayle, stage manag-ers, David Martinez, sound; Mike Rainey, lights; Igdoll Fonrose, Jose Santoya, Gricis Mercedes, and Jontavious Simmons served as stage

The Individual Events performances presented Terrance West with two gold medals in Monologue Acting and in Playwriting for his original one-act play, "Poppa Was a Rollin Stone." Tameka Hanna won a gold medal for her Monologue Acting also.

Excellent awards went to Cergile Sincere and Tommy Woodfolk for Duet Acting; Johnnika Gayle and Lomeika Devose for Duet Musical Monologue Acting and Lorena Lopez and Scarlett Flores for Duet Acting.

The Troupe will be per-forming the original one-acts of Terrance West, "Poppa Was a Rollin' Stone" and last years superior rated play, "Poor Paris" next week for the stuwill also be presented. Congratulations to the Thespian Raiders for their award winning productions.

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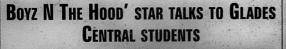
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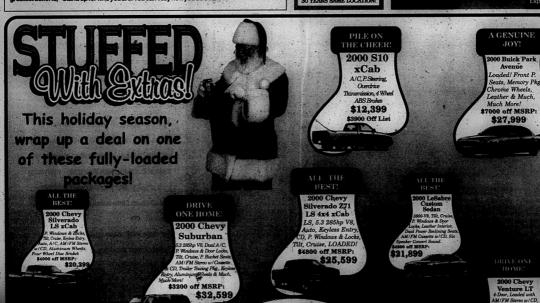
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Redge Green (right) sat next to Glades Central student Hernelsha Glades Central student nemocrass last spoke to the senior class last Wednesday. After telling Hernelsha to pay attention and not getting it, Mr. Green called her down to sit by him for the rest of the lecture. Redge Green, a youth empowerment speaker, flew from Atlanta to talk to the students at Glades Central High School. He took the time out to School. He took the time out to speak to the students regarding issues such as sex, violence and emotional situations. Redge also talked about his life story and shared several anecdotes with the students. He showed the students how not to be victims of their circum-



stances, how to rise above them, turn their anger into something positive and do something wither livies. "It's his life's passion and mission to empower youth with what they already have i just help them unlock the safe and get to ut and use it to their advantage," said Mis. Karen Schu a teacher at Glades Central. Many of the students recognized Mr. Green from his note in the mission and the living of the students recognized Mr. Green from his note in the mission and the safe of t



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# Sports

### Glades Central within reach of third consecutive state title

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza

Glades Central moved one step closer to obtaining their third Class 3A State Championship title in three years on Friday night after handily defeating Armwood 41-

This marks Glades Central's fourth consecutive state appearance, their 34th consecutive win and brings their record this season to 14-0. Glades Central needs only two more wins to tie with Dunnellon's 1977-1980 team for third longest winning streak in Florida high school football history (Bácker's 1977-1980 team holds second place with 42 consecutive wins and Union County's 1993-1996, team receives top honors with 52 This marks Glades Central's

42 consecutive wins and Union County's 1993-1996, team receives top honors with 52 consecutive wins.

Armwood was playing a good game, accumilating 153 offensive yards and matching the Raiders' offensive performance touchdown for touchdown throughout the first two quarters of the game. Both teams appeared stuck with Armwood trailing by only two points at the end of the first half. .then the second half got underway.

The Raiders revamped their strategy halfway through game as the defense created an illusory wall and cut Armwood's ry wall and cut Armwood's

as the defense created an illuso-ry wall and cut Armiwood's yards significantly allowing them a gain of only 55 yards in the latter half of the game. Raider offense followed the defense closely and scored a touchdown in the third quarter and exploded into # fourth quarter point assault blitz. The Raiders moved away from the two-point score margin early in. two-point score margin early in the game to their 26-point mar-gin from Armwood after scorpoints in the fourth

adjustments both offensively and defensively, our defense really stepped up the play," said Assistant Coach Larry Assistant Coach Larry Antonacci. "Our defense started handing us over the ball more. We're a well-conditioned foot-ball team and we tend to wear people down in the second half.

There was not a player in the game who didn't believe in the team's chances of making it to Gainesville for the State Championship game, as stats would show, Junior Garland Heath had nine tookless in Championship game, as stats would show, Junior Garland Heath had nine tackles, line backer William Beckford tackled a team-high of 13 times with two sacks and Donald Grant also ended the game with nine tackles. Sendomore, running also ended the game with nine tackles. Sophomore running back Michael Brown also proved a vital asset to the game as he rushed the end zone three times for touchdowns (half the touchdowns of the game), and rain 131 yards from 20 carries. Senior running back Ketth Gruber quiekly, grabbed the opportunity early in the game to score Glades Central's first touchdown of the game. Gruber

to score Glades Central's first souchdown of the game. Gruber caught a 35-yard pass from quarterback Curtis Holley. Armwood answered back with a 46-yard jouchdown run. Michael Brown got the team on the scoreboard again from a 5-yard run; the first of his three touchdowns of the night. Armwood scored a touchdown once more. once more

Armwood didn't move offensively in the third quarter. They watched Glades Central rush into play and send Michael Brown into the end zone from

points in the fourth quarter than Armwood did in the entire game. Backup running back Fred Robinson returned a 90-







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Astronaut's record this year is 12-2. One of the losses for Astronaut came by the hands of Rockledge, a team the Raiders faced and defeated 20-17 this year in the playoffs. Astronaut lost to Rockledge during regu-lar season by a score of 34-20. Raider coaches and fans seem optimistic at this point.

Any game we point, we think our chances are good. You have to be good to get to the championships. We expect to win every game we play," said Coach Antonacci.

The game will start at 1 p.m. at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium.



Jose Rodriguez goes over the game with one of his team-mates seconds before the Raiders' fourth quarter fury.



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D'Juan Brown (center) bows his head down after a play. He is su rounded by the Raiders including Ray McDonald (left) and Dona

### Glades Day School Basketball under way

The Glades Day School Boys Varsity Basketball team enjoyed their first win on Saturday, Glades Day School outscored Everglades City by four points for a 69-65 win Jayers on 'this year's team played football and are experiencing the same kind of success with basketball. Brannan Thomas scored 4 points, 9 rebounds, 3 steals and 5 assists against Everglades City. Nicky Sanchez, also a former football Gator, gave the cröwd the best performance of the night scoring 25 points, 5 rebounds, 5 assists and 5 steals. Micah Thomas, who played along

Brannan and Nicky in football, propelled his team to victory with 20 points, 15 rebounds and

wiff 20 points. 15 rebounds and 7 steals.
Coach Richard-Schmidt's basketball team is off to a great start. Also contributing to the team's pursuit of victory this year are Bucky Dobrow, Justin Gilmer, Kamrow Hayes, Clayton Norman, Eric Wingate, and Matt Sanchez, just to name a few. Glades Day fans should-enjoy a good season of basketball.
The Gators are scheduled to play Jupiter Christian, away, tonight and North Broward on Dec. 16 at home.

Glades Day Lady Gators off

mouthplece still in place, soon after the Raiders' third touch-

Michael Brown scored his last

touchdown from a 6-yard run preceding Bill Grant's 15-yard that capped the game.

Glades Central had 268 offensive yards; of the 268, only 33 were passing yards. The Ralders' receivers were being guarded by Armwood throughout the game. Curtis Holley was not able to pass as much as in past games and was intercepted twice.

the Raiders will now set

their sites on winning the championships. They will go against Titusville-Astronaut on Friday at the University of

Florida campus. Astronaut moved up after defeating

Glades Day Lady Gators off to a good start

The Glades Day Lady Gators have been playing hard this year. They've gone up against Gold Coast Academy, John Carroll, Moore Haven, Clewiston and King's Academy.

Last month, the Gators reared up and faced off against three tough teams. The Gators took up Gold Coast and defeated them 76-20. The next week, they faced John Carroll. This game was a little more difficult for the Lady Gators as they lost 64-49. was a little more diment to Lady Gators as they lost 64-49. Even with the losses, the play-

ers produced some outstanding stats. The first three games saw Carmen Paez averaging 14.7 per game. Following Carmen Paez averaging 14.7 points per game. Following closely behind was teammate Hela Barhoush with an average of 10.3, points per game. Hela gets around the court and also averages 12.3 rebounds per game. Carmen and Hela played exertists are the sollewell team.

game. Carmen and riea payed together on the volleyball team. Teamwork is the best strength the basketball team possesses. The team will compete against Morning Side, Benjamin, Jupiter and Gold Coast this coming week

Flag football league to be held Sundays at Glades Ploneer Park
Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation is pleased to announce Adult Flag Football is to be held at Glades Ploneer Park, Games will be played Sunday afternoons. Team fee for the season is 8315. Registration will be held on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 6 p.m. at the Ploneer Park Press Box.
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### Single women at midlife more likely to worry about weight

By Cathy Keen UF News

The singles scene isn't that rosy for thirty-something women, who are driven more than their married counterparts to cut a slim figure, a new University of Florida study finds.

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As supermodels get thinner, these women are flaving up - to the cultural appetations, said Carrie Murray, who did the research of the research

to look for another mate."
In the study, single women between the ages of 30 and 35 scored substantially higher than married women on the 'drive-forminess' scale, which measures things such as dieting concerns and obsession with weight. It is part of the Eating Disorder inventory, a widely used self-report measure of eating disorder symptomatology.

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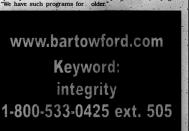
women between the ages of 18
and 40 at a Gainesquile finiess center in April: The study compared three age groups of women 18 to 29, 30 to 39 and 40 and older.

The measuring instrument used was a modified version of the Eating Disorder inventory, which consists of 91 questions organized into 11 subscales that include bullmia, body dissatisfaction and drive for thimness.

In other findings, single women and those currently delting had uncontrolled bouts of eating bullmia and blinging, Ms. Murray said.

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anticipated as part of global warming appear to significantly reduce rice yields, a finding that has worrisome implications for the third of the world's population that relies on rice as a primary staple.

University of Floridar researchers have found above-average temperatures therefore with the life cycle and pollination process in rice plaints, Modest temperature increases predicted by some climate change scenarios would reduce rice yields by 20 to 40 percent by 2100, while the most severe predicted temperature increases could force yields to zero.

The findings are among the latest to come out of the Carbon Dioxide and Climate Change Project at UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. Researchers involved in the project managed in cooper-

UF's institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. Researchers involved in the project, managed in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and funded by UF and several federal agencies, have discovered that warmer temperatures also lead to declines in yields of peanuts, soybeans and dry beans such, as kidney beans.

mate.

Researchers planted the rice in chambers that were maintained at different temperature cycles simulating day and nighttime fluctuations. They found the plants steadily produced less rice as temperature diurnal cycles exceeded. 73-91 degrees Pahrenheit for the tropical variety and 68-66 degrees for the temperature. Those optimum cycles already fall a bit below current temperatures where rice is, cultivated, said Kenneth Boote, a UF agronomy professor involved in the project.

omy professor involved ...

"We're on the downhill side for rice and soybeans now, so if there's any temperature increase the yield will slide down." Dr. Boote

will slide down. Dr. Boote said.
Although the plants continued to flourish, they produced nearly no rice at the highest temperature cycle of 86 to 104 degrees, the study found.

"We were hoping to find some evidence that the tropical cultivar could sustain reproductive ability at the highest temperature, but it didn't, which is bad news." said Alison Snyder. a UF graduate who worked on the study for her masters the sis.

Indeed, the temperature cycles used in the experiment closely track scientists more modest predictions for global warming. An average global increase of 5.4 degrees by 2100, considered probable by many scientists, would produce temperatures in the experiment's higher range, Ms. Snyder said, And that prediction is about half the 10 degree increase viewed as

2 billion people, many of whom live in Third World tropical regions, Ms. Snyder said. If rice production ceased or moved into more northern regions, it would have a severe impact on these already poor areas, she said.

The Third World regions have the potential to be hit hard, she said.

The findings track earlier UF research on soybeans, peanuts and dry beans although rice and dry beans, although rice and dry beans appear the most sensitive to temperature change. Dr. Allen said.

The news, however, is not necessarily all bad. Snyder and Allen said plant scientists likely can developmore heat-tolerant varieties of rice and other grains. Still, selective breeding has a limit. "If this happens with so many different species of rice and other grains.

a limit. It this nappens with so many different species, then I don't see a lot of potential for selecting gene-ically within a species for a solution to it," Dr. Boote said.

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Another possibility is that other grains will become tomorrow's staples. Ut scientists have recently experimented with a grain called the plgoon pea, which is more tolerant of hot, dry. climates because it grows slowly and flowers late in the summer. Dr. Allen said.

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